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Sir:

Please advise as to the current status of the above-identified patent application. The last correspondence from the USPTO we have in the file is a receipt card for an IDS received at the PTO on January 12, 2001.

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